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Re: Mayor Copenhaver's Radio Show 'Augusta Today and Tomorrow'

Mayor Copenhaver, through the generosity of Radio One, is hosting his own monthly interview show. The second show was taped on Tuesday after the Mayor's Prayer Breakfast and will be broadcast Sunday, April 2 on:

6:00 am Magic 96.9 7:00 am Foxie 103.1 5:30 pm WTHB FM 100.9

Mayor Copenhaver's guests were Pastor Greg Fuller of Macedonia Missionary Baptist Church and Ed Presnell of the Community Trust Initiative. Since both men are active members of the CTI, the discussion centered on the history of the CTI, how Ed and James Kendrick worked diligently recruiting participants and forming the various committees and how it has worked in conjunction with the Mayor's office on the Prayer Breakfast. It was discussed how the prayer breakfasts have a focus on the entire community, representing a cross section of people of all faiths, cultures and thoughts who are coming together to support the mayor in bringing unity to our community. The group agreed that the vast majority of Augustans, from politicians to the business community and our local citizens, have only the city's best interests in mind and want to see our city progress. The group discussed that the attitude of positive and engaged citizens is contagious. Pastor Fuller touched on the fact that though we may have differences in opinion, through the Bible we can come to mutual understanding. He further stated that when we listen and understand others, it is easier to find common ground.

The show ended with a discussion centered on all the wonderful things happening in Augusta, such as the Kroc Center announcement, the newly opened Cancer Research Center and Augusta's Arts Community.